

BEIS: WASTE POLICY

We are the lead UK Government department on energy and climate change. Waste reduction and resource efficiency are central to our culture and core values. As a minimum BEIS's activities will comply with all applicable legal and other requirements which relate to waste reduction, waste storage and the off site treatment of waste generated as a result of activities at 1 Victoria Street, London.

BEIS will:

- Apply the Waste Hierarchy to reduce, reuse, recycle and recover waste products in preference to the disposal of waste to landfill;
- Minimise waste generation at source and facilitate repair & reuse in line with the drive to a circular economy;
- Set and review our waste objectives and targets regularly and in line with the Greening Government Commitment targets;
- Make available adequate resources and information to achieve our waste objectives and targets;
- Encourage waste reduction and the increased use of recyclable materials in our supply chain;
- Publish targets against which our waste performance can be measured;
- Target the removal of single use items and improve segregation behaviours on site;
- Work with our contracting partners to identify further opportunities to reduce, reuse and ensure more effective recycling of the wastes we generate;
- Communicate this policy to our staff, to everyone working for or on behalf of BEIS and interested parties to ensure they understand the environmental impacts of the waste we produce and how to minimise these.

BEIS shall monitor and review effectiveness of this policy in conjunction with the ISO 14001:2015 Environmental Management System.

Endorsed and signed by:

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